

**CHAPTER NO. 208**

**SENATE BILL NO. 25**

**By Blackburn**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 131

By Fowlkes, Beavers

AN ACT To name the Tennessee National Guard Armory in Lewisburg in honor of Marvin McCormick and Charles Hardison.

WHEREAS, From time to time, our state has given birth to exemplary citizens whose deeds of valor and honor reflect favorably on the Volunteer State, even as they inspire us all to reach for greater glory; and

WHEREAS, Marvin McCormick and Charles Hardison are two such exemplary citizens who served their community, state and nation with the utmost dedication and honor as members of the United States Armed Forces during World War II; their respective military careers spent in service of the most inviolate principles of freedom and preparedness stand as exemplary testimony to the irrefutable value of the American way of life; and

WHEREAS, In addition to their illustrious military service, Mr. McCormick and Mr. Hardison were responsible, along with eight fellow World War II veterans, for organizing and establishing the Tennessee Army National Guard Unit in Lewisburg, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, The Marshall County Commission has expressed a desire to name the National Guard Armory and Unit in Lewisburg in honor of these two gentlemen of great distinction, courage and character; and

WHEREAS, This General Assembly most heartily concurs with this excellent proposal; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Tennessee National Guard Armory in Lewisburg, Marshall County is hereby designated as the "McCormick-Hardison National Guard Armory" as a lasting tribute to two of the most outstanding citizens this state has ever produced: Marvin McCormick and Charles Hardison.

SECTION 2. The Department of Military is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating such edifice as the "McCormick-Hardison National Guard Armory".

SECTION 3. (1) This act shall become operative only if Marshall County, Tennessee remits the estimated cost of the erection of such signs to the Department of Military within one (1) year of the effective date of this act. Marshall County shall make such payment prior to any expenditure by the state for manufacture or installation of such signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to Marshall County within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, Marshall County shall remit an amount equal to the difference in such costs to

the department within thirty (30) days of receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.


SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: May 10, 2001**

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**APPROVED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 2001**

  
DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR